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## **MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** April 25, 2013

**TO:** The Honorable Members of the Delaware General Assembly

**FROM:** Dafne Carnright, Vice Chairperson  
GACEC

**RE:** **House Bill No. 90 (School Choice)**

The Governor's Advisory Council for Exceptional Citizens (GACEC) has reviewed House Bill No. 90 which will update the school choice program which has not received substantive attention since 1998. Council **endorses** the proposed legislation. The bill seeks to eliminate discrimination by districts against choice students, particularly students with special needs. Application forms and deadlines will be standardized for use by districts and charter schools making it easier for parents to navigate the choice process.

Council would like to thank the sponsors of the proposed legislation for including representation from the GACEC on the task force which will be created by the bill. We look forward to working with other stakeholders to develop recommendations that will be beneficial for all students.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration of our position. Please feel free to contact me or Wendy Strauss should you have questions or concerns.